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The Honorable P. Kevin Castel United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

> Re: <u>United States v. Peter Bright</u> 19 CR 521 (PKC)

Dear Judge Castel:

We write on behalf of Peter Bright to renew his motion for judgment of acquittal pursuant to Rule 29 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. In February 2020, Mr. Bright was first tried on one count of attempted enticement of a minor to engage in illegal sexual activity, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2422(b). The jury could not reach a unanimous verdict and a mistrial was declared. On March 10, Mr. Bright was retried on the same count. At the close of the the government's evidence, Mr. Bright moved for acquittal pursuant to Rule 29 because the government failed to meet its burden of proving each element of the charged offense. Tr. 299. 

Mr. Bright now respectfully renews his motion for acquittal pursuant to Rule 29, resting on the existing record.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>1</sup> "Tr." refers to the transcript of the second trial in this matter.